§ 25.81

ALTERNATION OF OPERATIONS

§ 25.81 Alternation of brewery and bonded or taxpaid wine premises.

- (a) *General*. A brewer operating a contiguous bonded winery or taxpaid wine bottling house may, as provided in this section, alternate the use of each premises by extension or curtailment.
- (b) *Qualifying documents.* The brewer shall file and receive approval of the following qualifying documents:
- (1) ATF F 5120.25 and Form 5130.10 to cover the curtailment and extension of the premises to be alternated.
- (2) Special diagrams, in duplicate, delineating the brewery premises and the bonded or taxpaid wine premises as they will exist both during extension and curtailment. The diagrams will clearly depict all areas, buildings, floors, rooms, equipment and pipelines which are to be subject to alternation in their relative operating sequence.
- (3) Evidence of existing bond, consent of surety, continuation certificate, or a new bond to cover the proposed alternation of premises.
- (c) Brewer's responsibility. After approval of qualifying documents, the brewer may alternate the designated premises pursuant to a letterhead notice submitted to the appropriate ATF officer. The notice will contain the information required by paragraph (d) of this section. Prior to the effective date and hour of the alternation, the brewer shall
- (1) Remove all beer on brewery premises to be alternated to bonded or tax-paid wine premises, or
- (2) Remove all wine from bonded to taxpaid wine premises to be alternated to brewery premises.
- (d) *Information for notice.* The notice required by paragraph (c) of this section will contain the following information:
 - (1) Plant name and address:
 - (2) Serial number;
- (3) Effective date and hour of proposed change;
- (4) Whether premises are to be curtailed or extended:
- (5) Purpose of curtailment or extension:
- (6) Identification of the special diagram depicting the premises as they exist when curtailed or extended; and

- (7) Date of execution and signature of brewer.
- (e) Separation of premises. The appropriate ATF officer may require that the portion of brewery or bonded or taxpaid wine premises extended or curtailed under this section be separated, in a manner satisfactory to the appropriate ATF officer, from the remaining portion of the brewery or bonded or taxpaid premises.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1388, as amended, 1389, as amended, 1390, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5401, 5411, 5415))

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DISCONTINUANCE OF BUSINESS

§ 25.85 Notice of permanent discontinuance.

When a brewer desires to discontinue business permanently, he or she must file a notice on Form 5130.10. The brewer must state the purpose of the notice as ''Discontinuance of business'' and give the date of the discontinuance. When all beer has been lawfully disposed of, appropriate ATF officer will approve the Form 5130.10 and return a copy to the brewer. The brewer shall file a report on Form 5130.9 showing no beer or cereal beverage on hand and marked ''Final Report.''

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1388, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5401))

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Subpart H—Bonds and Consents of Surety

§25.91 Requirement for bond.

(a) General. Every person intending to commence the business of a brewer shall file a bond, Form 5130.22, as prescribed in this subpart, covering operations at the brewery, at the time of filing the original Brewer's Notice, Form 5130.10. Every brewer intending to continue the business of a brewer shall, once every 4 years, or as provided in §25.95, execute and file a new bond, or continuation certificate as provided in §25.97.

- (b) Conditions of the bond. The Brewer's Bond, Form 5130.22, will be conditioned upon the brewer faithfully complying with all provisions of law and regulations relating to the activities covered by the bond, and upon paying all taxes imposed by 26 U.S.C. Chapter 51 and all interest and penalties incurred or fines imposed for violations of those provisions.
- (c) Additional information. The appropriate ATF officer shall require, in connection with any brewer's bond, a statement executed under the penalties of perjury, as to whether the principal or any person owning, controlling, or actively participating in the management of the business of the principal has been convicted of or has compromised any offense set forth in §25.101(a)(1), or has been convicted of any offense set forth in §25.101(a)(2). In the event the above statement contains an affirmative answer, the applicant shall submit a statement describing in detail the circumstances surrounding the conviction or compromise.
- (d) Bond required before beginning business. A person may not begin business or continue business as a brewer until first receiving notice that the appropriate ATF officer has approved the bond, continuation certificate, or consent of surety, as required by this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1388, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5401); sec. 4(a), Pub. L. 91-673, 84 Stat. 2057 (26 U.S.C. 5417))

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§25.92 Consent of surety.

A brewer may change the terms of any bond filed under this part by filing a consent of surety. Consents of surety will be executed on Form 1533 (5000.18) by the brewer and the surety on the bond, with the same formality and proof of authorization as required for the execution of a bond.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85–859, 72 Stat. 1388, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5401))

§25.93 Penal sum of bond.

(a) Calculation. The penal sum of the brewer's bond will be equal to 10 percent of the maximum amount of tax, calculated at the rates prescribed by

law, which the brewer will become liable to pay during a calendar year during the period of the bond on beer:

- (1) Removed for transfer to the brewery from other breweries owned by the same brewer;
- (2) Removed without payment of tax for export or for use as supplies on vessels and aircraft;
- (3) Removed without payment of tax for use in research, development, or testing; and
 - (4) Removed for consumption or sale.
- (b) Concentrate. A brewer who concentrates beer under subpart R of this part shall calculate the penal sum of the bond by computing 10 percent of the amount of tax at the rates prescribed by law, on the maximum quantity of beer used in the production of concentrate during a calendar year. The brewer shall add this amount to the penal sum calculated under paragraph (a) of this section to determine the total penal sum of the brewer's bond.
- (c) Maximum and minimum penal sums. The maximum penal sum of the bond (or total penal sum if original and strengthening bonds are filed) is not to exceed \$150,000 when the tax on beer is to be prepaid, or \$500,000 when the tax is to be deferred as provided in \$25.164. The minimum penal sum of a bond is \$1,000.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85–859, 72 Stat. 1388, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5401))

§25.94 Strengthening bonds.

- (a) Requirement. When the penal sum of the brewer's bond (calculated as provided in §25.93) in effect is not sufficient, the principal may prepay the tax on beer as provided in subpart K of this part, or give a strengthening bond in sufficient penal sum if the surety is the same as on the bond in effect. If the surety is not the same, a new bond covering the entire liability is required.
- (b) Restrictions. A strengthening bond may not in any way release a former bond or limit a bond to less than the full penal sum.
- (c) *Date of execution.* Strengthening bonds will show the current date of execution and their effective date.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85-859, 72 Stat. 1388, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5401))